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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

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If the enclosed papers or fees are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (508) 616-2900, in Westborough, Massachusetts.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Dear Sir:

An interview was conducted between attorney James Thompson and Examiner Sean Reilly on October 24, 2006. The Examiner is thanked for his time and consideration.

During the interview, the independent claims as amended in the response filed August 31, 2006 were discussed. Also discussed was the prior art reference of Shaikh (IBM Research Report "On the Effectiveness of DNS-based Server Selection"). Mr. Thompson reiterated the argument presented in the August 31, 2006 amendment that the Shaikh reference does not show the features added to the independent claims in that amendment. The Examiner indicated his belief (based on his review to that point) that the claim amendments distinguish the Shaikh reference, but also indicated that he would perform an updated search based on the claims as now amended. Mr. Thompson requested that he be notified in advance if a Notice of Allowance is issued or if a new office action with a new rejection of the claims is issued.

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